

Panel on Economic Development

List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 19 February 2014)

**Proposed
timing for
discussion**

- 1. Extension of a supernumerary Administrative Officer Staff Grade C (D2) post holding the post of Assistant Commissioner for Tourism (4) (AC(T)4) in the Tourism Commission created up to 31 December 2014 for three years from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2017**

The AC(T)4 is responsible for providing policy input and co-ordination in promoting the development of cruise tourism in Hong Kong and for overseeing the development and operation of the Hong Kong Disneyland, including its future expansion plans. To sustain Hong Kong's position as a leading tourist destination, the Administration considers that there is an operational need to extend the post of AC(T)4 for three years from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2017.

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- 2. Implementation of the Trade Descriptions (Unfair Trade Practices) (Amendment) Ordinance 2012**

To report on the progress of the implementation of the Trade Descriptions (Unfair Trade Practices) (Amendment) Ordinance 2012 since its commencement on 19 July 2013.

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- 3. Update on the operation of the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal**

Proposed by Hon Ronny TONG at the meeting on 10 October 2013. The Administration's paper (LC Paper No. CB(1)374/13-14(01) providing updates on the operation of the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal including the Administration's response to the concern of Friends of the Earth (HK) and Clean Air Network about the facilities for on-shore power at the Terminal in their submission (LC Paper No. CB(1)157/13-14(01)) was issued on 21 November 2013.

Second quarter
of 2014

**Proposed
timing for
discussion**

4. Updates on the Third Runway Project in the Hong Kong International Airport

To update the Panel on the progress of the statutory environmental impact assessments ("EIA"), scheme designs, funding proposals as well as public engagement initiatives in relation to the Third Runway Project.

Third quarter of
2014

Hon LEE Wing-tat proposed that the Scheme of Airport Charges should be improved with a view to minimizing the noise impact of aircraft on the neighbourhood of the Hong Kong International Airport. The Administration has proposed to discuss the matter together with the updates on the proposed Third Runway Project when more information on the EIA is available.

5. Proposed amendments to the civil aviation legislation relating to the investigation of accidents

To brief members on the proposed legislative amendments which seek to implement the latest requirements promulgated by the International Civil Aviation Organization.

To be confirmed

6. Salvage, removal and disposal of the wreck "興海 668" and its cargo of steel plate

The Mainland cargo vessel sank near the busy East Lamma Channel on 21 October 2008. To apply for funding to carry out the works for the salvage, removal and disposal of the wreck of "興海 668" and its cargo of steel plate.

To be confirmed

7. Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project

To consult members on the project to enhance the attractiveness of Lei Yue Mun ("LYM") as a popular tourism spot through further improving the facilities along the LYM waterfront area.

To be confirmed

8. Overall planning of tourism infrastructures and relevant support measures

At the meeting of the Panel on Development on 14 October 2010, Hon Paul TSE cited the effort of the government of Singapore in the development of Sentosa into a tourist

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attraction and commented that the Administration should take the lead in the overall planning of tourism infrastructure in Hong Kong.

The Chairman of the Panel on Economic Development in the 2011-2012 session agreed to include the item in this list as planning of tourism infrastructure is led by the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau.

The Administration has been requested to report on the progress in developing new tourist attractions and, where appropriate, on measures being taken to address concerns about taxi scams, the operation of the SkyPier and the Security Bureau's Outbound Travel Alert System.

At the meeting on 16 October 2012, Hon CHAN Han-pan requested the Administration to provide information on the development of ancillary facilities for the various tourist spots. The Administration advised that it would include details of the relevant ancillary facilities when it briefed the Panel on individual tourism projects, e.g. the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal, the Ocean Park and Hong Kong Disneyland projects.

9. Ocean Park's admission price adjustment

Hon TANG Ka-piu wrote to the Panel Chairman on 3 July 2013 expressing concern about the admission price adjustment of the Ocean Park and the Administration provided a written response to the letter on 16 July 2013 (LC Papers Nos. CB(1)1554/12-13(01) and (02) respectively). The Panel agreed to include the item in this list at the meeting on 22 July 2013.

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10. Licensing and regulation of low cost carriers

Proposed by Hon Dennis KWOK at the meeting on 10 October 2013. The Administration's paper in respect of the operation of low-cost carriers in Hong Kong (LC Paper No. CB(1)1809/12-13(02)) provided in response to Hon KWOK's earlier letter on the subject was issued on 18 September 2013.

To be confirmed

11. Logistics development

At the meeting on 28 March 2011, Hon Miriam LAU requested the Administration to brief the Panel on the implementation of the National Twelfth Five-year (12-5) Plan, in particular further development of Hong Kong as a shipping centre and logistics hub.

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(See Note)

At the meeting on 13 October 2011, Hon Miriam LAU expressed concern about the slow progress in developing the logistics cluster in Kwai Tsing area as reported in the 2011-2012 Policy Address.

At the meeting on 16 October 2012, Hon Michael TIEN requested that the Administration should provide information on the comparison of the logistics facilities of Hong Kong and other cities in the Pearl River Delta.

(Note: The Administration has suggested that issues under this item be discussed after the findings of the Study on the Strategic Development Plan for Hong Kong Port 2030 and feasibility study for the proposed development of Container Terminal 10 at Southwest Tsing Yi are available.)